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SUBJECT: FOOD SUPPLIES: TALLINN

1. BEGIN SUMMARY. EMBOFF VISITED TALLINN 9-11 JANUARY AND CHECKED STATE STORES FOR AVAILABILITY OF MEAT AND POULTRY. PORK IN FORM OF CHOPS AND UNSLICED BACON IS AVAILABLE IN ADEQUATE QUANTITIES. KOLBASA IS AVAILABLE IN ADEQUATE QUANTITIES. VERY LIMITED SUPPLY OF CHICKEN WAS NOTED. BEEF AND MUTTON ARE NOT OFFERED. EGGS ARE SECOND QUALITY AND AVAILABLE IN LIMITED SUPPLY. BREAD STORES OFFER BROWN BREAD IN ADEQUATE SUPPLY; WHITE BREAD WAS SEEN ONLY IN FIRST-CLASS RESTAURANTS. ADEQUATE SUPPLIES OF CHEESE AND FISH ARE AVAILABLE. POTATOES, CABBAGE, CARROTS, TURNIPS, BEETS, HUNGARIAN APPLES, AND LEMONS ARE AVAILABLE. NO ONIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. KAUPUS RAE AT REAKOJA 8 OFFERED FOLLOWING ITEMS: UNSLICED BACON 2.90 RUBLES PER KILO; BLOOD LOAD 1.00 R; KOLBASA AT 2.80, 2.10, 1.60, 1.20 R; PORK CHOPS 2.60; CHEESE 2.20, 2.90, 2.70 R.

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3. VIRUVARAVI STORE AT VIRU 23 OFFERED BACON AT

2.60; KOLBASA AT 2.10, 2.20; SECOND-QUALITY EGGS
AT 95 KOPECKS; KOSTROMSKIY CHEESE AT 2.90 AND
ROSSIYSKIY CHEESE AT 2.90. NO FRESH MEAT WAS ON SALE.

4. FISH STORE AT PYARNUSSKOYE SHOSSE 1 OFFERED
SECOND-QUALITY EGGS AT 95 KOPECKS IN ADDITION TO
GOOD VARIETY OF FROZEN FISH.

5. BREAD STORE #5 ON VANA VIRU OFFERED LIMITED ASSORT-
MENT OF BROWN BREAD BUT NO WHITE BREAD. LEIVAD SEIAD BREAD
STORE ON PIKK 35 OFFERED FOUR KINDS OF BROWN BREAD IN
ADEQUATE SUPPLIES BUT NO WHITE BREAD.

6. FRUIT AND VEGETABLE STORE AT MUURIVAHE 16 OFFERED
POTATOES IN UNLIMITED SUPPLIES; RUBBAGE AT 14 K; CARROTS
AT 22 K; TURNIPS AT 10 K; BEETS AT 15 K; LEMONS AT 25 K
EACH; HUNGARIAN APPLES AT 1.40. NO ONIONS WERE
ON SALE.

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